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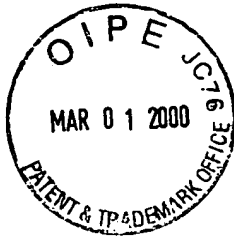
In re Application of:

Ross, et al.

Serial No.: 09/134,472

Filed: August 14, 1998

For: **CARBOXYLIC ACIDS AND ISOSTERES OF N-HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUNDS FOR VISION AND MEMORY DISORDERS**



Group Art Unit: 1623

Examiner: H. Owens, Jr.

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 1, 1999. The three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 1, 1999. A three month Petition for Extension of Time and fee are attached hereto, extending the period for reply to March 1, 2000. In view of the following remarks and amendments, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections, and allow all claims pending in this application.

Please amend the captioned application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

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